

The Wauchula Historic Preservation Board met on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present: Raafat Zakhary, Chair Tanya Royal, Jennifer Clark, Cynthia Paxton, Linda Burnett and William Boynton.

Board Member Dr. Sylvia Collins was absent.

Also present were Community Development Coordinator Kyle Long and Deputy City Clerk Victoria Thompson.

**Royal called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

**National Register District discussion presented by Jessica Newman and guests**

Royal turned the meeting over to Ms. Newman who introduced the presenters:

Paul Weaver, President, Historic Property Associates, Inc.

Ruben Acosta, Survey and Registration Supervisor, State Historic Preservation Office

Andrew Waber, Historic Preservationist, State Historic Preservation Office

Mr. Acosta began the discussion by explaining how the National Register of Historic Places came about, how the application process works, and how it can be of some assistance to property owners. The largest benefit of being on the Register is protection from the Federal Government. It helps prevent the ruining of areas deemed to be of historic significance either to a city, county, state or the nation as a whole.

Mr. Weaver reviewed the advantages of and programs available to property owners registered with the National Registry.

After the presentation there was much discussion with questions and answers from Mr. Acosta, Mr. Weaver and Mr. Waber.

**Approval of Minutes from November 27, 2017 Meeting**

Paxton noted she needed to be removed from the list of those in attendance as she was not present.

Deputy Clerk Thompson made note of the correction needed.

Clark motioned to approve the minutes with corrections, seconded by Boynton.

Royal called for all in favor; all responded aye.

For those opposed, like sign; received no response.

Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

There was no public to comment.

With there being no further business, Boynton motioned to adjourn, seconded by Paxton.

Royal called for all in favor, all responded aye.

Motion carried 6 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.